Liber H. S. the same, That an Act of Assembly of this Province, entituled, An Act for the speedy Recovery of small Debts, out of Court, before one Justice of the Peace, made at a Session of Assembly, begun and held at the City of Annapolis on the Second Day of October, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty-three, shall be, and is hereby continued to be and remain in full Force for and during the Term of Three Years, and unto the End of the next Session of Assembly which shall happen after the Expiration of the said Three Years,

> 28th April 1757 Read and assented to by the Lower house of assembly

Signed p order MMacnemara Cl lo ho

On behalf of the Right the Lord Honourable Proprietary of this Province I will this be a Law Hor.º Sharpe

28 April 1757 Read and assented to by the upper house of assembly Signed p order JRoss Cl Up Ho

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No. 12 An Act for Leasing out Part of the Prison Land, in Dorchester p. 324 County.

[Preamble.]

Whereas the Justices of Dorchester County have, by their Petition to this General Assembly, represented, That by the Law erecting the Town of Cambridge, in the said County, there is a larger Quantity of Land reserved for the Use of the Prison than is necessary, and prayed that they may have Liberty to Lease out such Part of the said Land as they, or the major Part of them, shall see proper, for the Use and Benefit of the County aforesaid.

Leased in Dorchester County.]

Be it therefore Enacted, by the Right Honourable the Lord Pro-[Land to be prictary, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governor, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That the Justices of Dorchester County Court, or the Majority of them, shall, and they are hereby impowered to Lease out, upon the best Terms they can, all the Land reserved by the Law, for erecting the Town of Cambridge, for the Use of the Prison in the said County, except Half an Acre, first giving public Notice of their Intention so to do, by setting up Notes in the most public Places within their County; any Thing in the above mentioned Law to the contrary notwithstanding.

And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Justices shall, and they are hereby required to see that the Rent, reserved on the said Lease, be annually paid and applied to the defraying the public Charges and Expences of the said County.

[Rent applied for the Use of the County.]

Acre reserved for the Use of the Prison.]

Provided always, and be it Enacted, That before any such Lease as aforesaid shall be made and executed, the said Justices shall lay out Half an Acre of the Land aforesaid, the most convenient for the said Prison, which Half of an Acre shall be still reserved for the